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Main Street Readers

In spite of the fact that its author admits that "Main Street" gives only one view of the small towns of the Middle West, the reading public, and particularly that part of it which inhabits the big cities of the nation, insists on regarding that much discussed book as the final word on the subject. A glimpse at the morning mail of the chief of the traveling library division of the Free Library Commission of Wisconsin might give urban readers a mental shock and stimulant.

In one morning's basket of mail were found requests from individual readers from small communities all over the state. They asked for information on the life and work of Wilfred Grenfell; for a book on cartooning; for works by John Burroughs. There were village dwellers who were in-

terested in Monroe's Principles of death, but says in conclusion: "How Teaching, in Better Rural Schools, in many steamships do you hear of blow-blowing? Psychology and Adam's ing up now? And it used to happen History of Civilization During the every little while. They'll get the Middle Ages. Well! Outline of His- dirigible safeguarded the same way tory, a novel by Mrs. Rhinehart and before long." Which is a good view

Huckleberry Finn were wanted in all of the case. Meanwhile brave men will pioneer, cultivate, Socialism, drama, stage ef- and give their lives freely on the al- fects and how to produce them, and tar of progress. But the experimental traction engines were all sought by flights which are part of this pioneer- people living on the Main Streets of ing should be made over waterways many Gopher Prairies in Wisconsin and areas little inhabited.

Of course there were calls for some of the trash of current fiction. But even including these the Main Streets of Wisconsin and Minnesota, at least, make as good a showing as the rest of the country in their keen interest in the real affairs of the world. They read Rauchenbusch, Rhinehart, Santayana and Chesterton, as well as Harold Bell Wright and Zane Grey. Do metropolitan readers make a better showing?

The Wrecked Z R 2

The tragic wrecking of the great dirigible, ZR-2, shows that in spite of the strides which have been made in perfecting this type of craft, the experimental stage is far from over.

Opponents of the lighter than air ships are pointing to the accident as proof of their contentions. On the other hand, navy experts and other authorities point to the fact that Germany built and operated successfully over 140 airships. According to navy records their only wreck was one early dirigible, lost over Lake Constance before the war. Great Britain's record was equally reassuring. Out of 16 ships constructed only one was wrecked, the R-34, which ran aground of her hangar. Among the successful ships in both countries were some very nearly as large as the ZR-2. The dirigible which crashed over the Chicago Loop seems to be the only other recorded disaster of serious de- gree.

A man long familiar with steam- ship matters points out that every great stride toward progress has its history of mistakes, accidents and

Mexico says she's good now, and is sore because we don't recognize her. It doesn't occur to her maybe Mexico, good, is unrecognizable.

They say Vice-President Coolidge is "becoming a joksmith." That's right. A vice-president has got to be either a joker or a joke.

When we get that German peace what will we do with it?

When is the country going to cele- brate Dry Week?

THE OFFICE CAT



POEM

The rain it poured
The sea it roared;
The sky was draped in black;
The old ship rolled.
She pitched and howled
And lost her charted track.

"Oh, dear! oh, dear
Sir, will she clear?
Loud wailed a dame on deck,
As they heaved the lead
The skipper said,
"It alls has, by heck."
—Author unknown.

MATER OF SALESMANSHIP
Once the saying prevailed, "A man is known by the company he keeps." Now you size a man by the companies he promotes. —Boston Transcript.

It is said that President Harding plays poker and that he is just as apt to be shy in the pot as any ordinary duffer.

BRIDLE PATH LEADS TO HALTER

Sir: I lamp from a biograph just received for our history of Tullad, Okla., that O. E. Upp married Lucy Harmon, and I'll be gosh dinged if they didn't name their first born Harmon Upp.

"Turks Take Lemus," said a report. Well, while we don't know what Lemus is, maybe it will be good for what ails 'em.

"But?"
"No."
"Just?"
"No."
"Once?"
"No."
"Henry, why don't you shave?"

POEM

Don't envy this here writing man
His coat of deep and glowing tan,
Nor think he got it towing
Or diving where the billows beat—
It's eighty by two-hundred feet.
The lawn, that he's been mowing

The girl next door says that there are many happy women in the coun- try but they won't admit it.

NOW ALTOGETHER, THE CHORUS

While Herb Hoover is drawing up a set of blue prints of plans to end the housing shortage, the Great American Society of Homeless Orphans will continue singing the national anthem, "Tenting Tonight."

Why the devil will any good fellow withhold a kindly word when he may just as well be getting everybody in debt in him for his kindly thoughtfulness?

"Are the women we love the worst we have?" says a film ad. No, indeed! All of us are not bigamists.

Just like Paris. Having reduced feminine wearing apparel to the vanishing point, plus the dress-makers have not tackled the problem of convincing reality that she should wear more clothes.

Occupation has been known to make a hit with a miss.

A silent man is either ignorant or wise and sometimes it is hard to tell which, says "Nellie" Nelson.

IMBLER APPLES LOOKING FINE

Fruitpickers' Wages Are Set by Apple Growers; Tomatoes There Are Equal to Any.

IMBLER, Sept. 3.—Wm. Miller has been busy the past week in getting his apple boxes hauled to his warehouse where he has a force of people that are turning the shocks into boxes.

Wm. Rollins is one among many orchard men who are proud of their orchards. Mr. Rollins has five acres of well kept orchard that has estimated four thousand packed boxes.

A load of Freewater watermelons arrived in Imbler this week. These are the best melons that we have had so far this season.

The two Miss Coles entertained a number of their young friends Tuesday evening at the home of their father. A fine time was had for several hours. Charles slipped up town and took home a real treat for the youngsters in the shape of candy, nuts, oranges and gum.

A fine eleven-pound baby girl was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Levy Jensen. Mother and babe are doing fine. Mrs. Jensen will be remembered as the mother who lost her two boys, the only children, in the train accident a year ago, and this little Miss is a very welcome guest.

Thursday found many of our sports men hunting the grouse in the nearby hills. They report fine luck.

Tom Page took several passengers to La Grande Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Stringham, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Stringham and Mrs. Warren spent several days camping at Wallowa Lake.

Mrs. P. S. Robertson came out Thursday on one of her regular trips. W. B. Perry spent Tuesday night in La Grande with his mother.

School starts Monday, September fifth, with a complete corps with E. E. Hurley, principal; Mrs. Hurley, 9th and 10th grades; Mrs. Lines, 7 and 8; Mrs. Westenskow, 5 and 6; Mrs. Lyle Stringham, 1 and 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Howells took a load of pears to Elgin, where they found ready sale.

Talk about Freewater or Eagle Valley tomatoes, Imbler has them beaten by a great deal. On the L. A. Stringham farm east of town you'll find tomato vines loaded to the limit with fine, big, smooth tomatoes—the kind that pleases the eye.

The Imbler Fruit Growers' Union met Thursday evening in their usual place to discuss and set the scale for the apple workers. Forty cents per hour for men and 32 cents for women and 5 cents where the apples are picked by the box and other things of importance were considered. H. H. Weatherspoon came up from Elgin to be present at the meeting.

Dr. Moore was in Imbler Thursday on professional business.

Darrell Larsen returned home Thursday from Prairie City for a short visit with his parents before resuming his school work.

Lewis Dunlap sent his friend Lyle Stringham several boxes of fine Elberta peaches.

Mr. and Mrs. Norval made a business trip to Elgin Friday.

Prosperity Headed Towards Northwest

PORTLAND, Sept. 3.—A decided improvement in business conditions over the entire Northwest has arrived, according to H. G. Stibbs, advertising manager for Carnation Milk Products company, and president of the Seattle Advertising club, a recent Portland visitor.

"As a rule, buying in all lines is being done conservatively," said Mr. Stibbs, "but a much greater volume of sales can be seen over the corresponding season last year. Retailers are adhering closely to this policy: stocking only two or three products in each line, but all of them noticeably widely advertised. Turnover is much more rapid than last year, showing increased confidence of the buying public. The jobbers throughout the Northwest are less given to speculation than heretofore, which would indicate also that conditions in trading circles are fast assuming a normal aspect. The year 1922 will see us well on the road to complete business recovery.

"For the entire Northwest I can see only prosperous times ahead. Present indications are that in many lines of trade the return to normal will be much slower than in others; many, indeed, may not note a change for the better."

Many Criminal Cases To Be Investigated

PENDLETON, Sept. 3.—A minimum of 40 criminal cases will be investigated by the grand jury in the autumn session which will start September 6, a statement by District Attorney R. L. Keator this morning indicates.

Already 100 witnesses have been subpoenaed to appear to give testimony on 30 cases, and there are between 10 and 15 more cases which will call for another 50 subpoenas.

The Matt Jepson case is one of the most important from the point of view of interest. About a dozen witnesses will be examined to tell what they know in the investigation. Fred Patterson has been held on suspicion of being the man who killed Jepson, the aged recluse who was murdered and whose body was then thrown into a well.

OBSERVER WANT ADS GET RESULTS.

HOT LAKE HAS FIRE STATION

Dr. McAllister Returns to Institution—Oliver Dasch Back on Desk.

HOT LAKE, Sept. 3.—While the sanatorium has never had a fire in its history, there have been a number of small blazes at Hot Lake in recent years most of these centering upon the laundry and Dr. Phy desiring to have every possible precaution against fires, has recently installed an automobile fire truck carrying both chemical tanks and hose reels. A fire station has been erected of brick and concrete and the boys who handle the fire truck take regular drills just as the life boat crews drill on the ocean-going vessels. The new fire station building also houses a complete machine shop fitted with drill presses, and lathes, where a machinist is employed all of the time taking care of the repair work on machinery of the institution.

Everyone at the Lake is abundantly pleased over the return of Dr. and Mrs. McAllister, who for several years were connected with the institution but left for a stay in Portland some time ago which ripened into a location. Recently both sons of the family were married and the doctor and his wife contracted with Dr. Phy to return to the sanatorium.

Oliver Dasch and wife and the little Dasch, a bright, happy son, have resumed their former station at the Lake. Mr. Dasch was for years head clerk and is known to all Hot Lake guests over the northwest. He left a year ago intending to make his home on the coast but the Grande Ronde valley drew him back, like it draws most people who have lived here, and he is now at the old station extending a glad hand to all who visit the sanatorium.

Milton S. McAllister and wife of Portland arrived today at the Lake to visit Doctor and Mrs. McAllister for several days. It is a honeymoon trip for the young couple for they were recently wed. The bride is an Oakland, California, girl.

Misses Johanna and Mollie Franz, of Walla Walla, are among the new employees at the institution. They were formerly connected with the work here.

James M. Murphy, brother of Mrs. Oliver Dasch, is making headquarters at the Lake while he travels the Eastern Oregon territory for his firm, the Carter Rice Paper Co.

UNCALLED FOR LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ended Sept. 2nd, 1921.
Gentlemen—Bird Allen, Pearl Booth, C. Rappart, Henry Robarge, J. T. Ridenaur, Robert A. Sloan, Morgan Shopshire, Ira Shelton.
Ladies—Miss Louise Clark, Mrs. Chas. Dugger, Emma Gubler, Miss Lorena McAlexander, Elma Pearce, Mrs. A. M. Roberts, Mrs. Billie Reardon, Mrs. Henry Rymanson.
These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office on September 16th, 1921, if not delivered before that date.
E. E. BRAGG, P. M.



MEN! THE FINEST FOOTWEAR IN AMERICA

Exclusive Agency in La Grande For Men and Young Men

EDWIN CLAPP SHOES

All our energy and our every thought has, for years, been concentrated on the merchandising of the finest footwear — and today you will see a new step taken by this store in the continuation of this policy.

We have secured exclusive agency in La Grande for EDWIN CLAPP SHOES — undoubtedly the finest of men's footwear made in America.

Illustrated here are three of the late arrivals — others await the inspection of men whose prime requisite in footwear is quality. Our prices are the very lowest at which shoes of this quality can be sold.

EDWIN CLAPP SHOES \$15.00

North West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE

FUTURE MADE BRIGHT AT UNION MEET

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tions, breeds and to supervise the industry in a general way. The talk was concise and interesting.

Homer Carnes a leading dairyman of North Powder brought a real message, too, when he explained what he did with grade herds and later how he doubled his production with purely bred herds, though less in number. His experiences were listened to with interest. He was a strong supporter of the cow-testing plan.

Frank McKennon, a Holstein dairyman, also supported the testing and gave his experiences with the dairy business.

Leon Levy, a breeder of Jerseys, and who owns a Jersey cow that as a three year old was a world's champion, spoke briefly.

Ed Wiersick defended his particular herd of Brown Swisses, disclaiming that they are a dual cow but the real genuine imported Swiss milkers.

Walter M. Pierce has been converted. He sees the dairy cow, milked and supervised by the farmer himself as the salvation of the farming industry in this vicinity, and admitted that the beef cattle breeder is in for troubles.

That the banking interests of the county are supporters of the small herd was shown by remarks made by F. L. Meyers and T. J. Scroggins, La Grande bankers present, in their stands on the small dairy.

Ray Duncan of Cove said that when he fed his cattle hay he didn't make any money but there was a profit when the cows were pastured.

Robert Whitcomb, of the experiment station, pointed out with figures that hay now selling for \$3.50 and \$4.00 can be made to produce \$32.00 by feeding it to the dairy cow.

J. E. Mills of Cove was called upon but said that his wife was the one that ran his dairy.

County Agent Avery spoke alone

general lines pertaining to the need of cow testing associations and explained his experiences in that regard. Mr. Avery was prime mover in the meeting and was justifiably pleased with the big turnout and the decided success of the gathering.

N. C. Jaimison, an O. A. C. expert, told of the actual plans and workings of the cow testing associations, pointing out pitfalls that might befall into, and clarified the whole proposition. His remarks pointed out that the dairymen are urged to organize for the purpose of testing cows for butter fat production and improving the herds. A tester would be employed by the association and make monthly visits to each farm, where the milk would be weighed and tested, and feed also weighed and estimated. Dairymen would receive a report each month on the total fat and total milk production and cost of feed, based upon estimates ascertained by the monthly tests. Balanced rations would be planned by the tester and the county agent, using feeds available in the most economical form. The expenses to the owner in other places has been from two to three dollars per cow per year.

More than a fourth of the cows necessary to insure the association were signed up last evening after the meeting and County Agent Avery has enough in sight, not represented last evening, to practically assure the whole plan for this county. Those interested can get necessary blanks from him at any time.

Throughout all the discussion and in all remarks it was made clear that dairying to be profitable must not be done on too extensive a scale, and that poultry and hogs must follow along in the wake. It was generally agreed that no dairy should be bigger than can be cared for by the farmer himself, or his family.

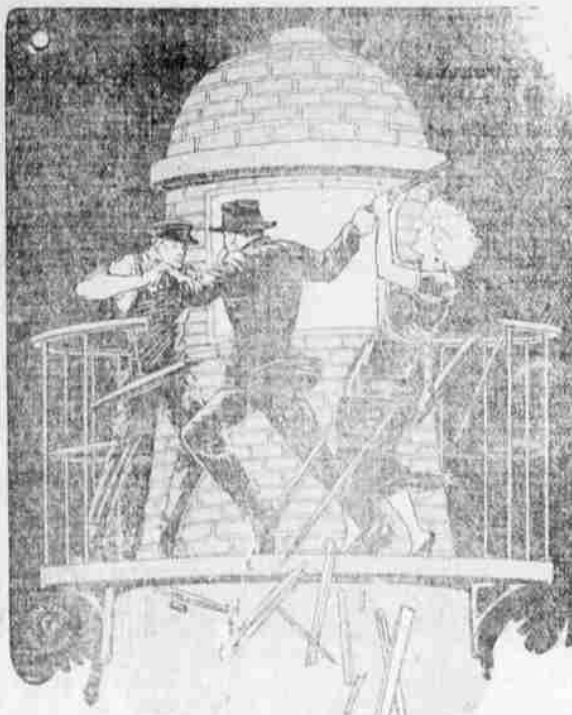
Among the La Grande people present were: Ed Meyer, T. J. Scroggins, F. L. Meyers, H. M. Talley, W. Albert Buras, L. M. Jensen, Walter M. Pierce, George Hopkins, Chas. De Forest, and A. W. Nelson.

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



ADNER TUTTLE JUST RETURNED FROM A TWO WEEKS VISIT IN THE CITY

TONIGHT THE KID A.R.C.A.D.E. Sunday Only



Women Who Wait

Marguerite Clayton, Creighton Hale and Geo McQuarrie

A Drama of Home-Spun Folks with a human punch and heart throbs

also

A COMEDY

MONDAY

"Madonnas And Men"

STARRING IN STORY PRETENTIOUS IN PRODUCTION ASTOUNDING IN ACTION
